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PRICE TEN CENTS

## \$25,000 Fire Destroys Part of National Polychemical

The National Polychemical plant, on Eames Street was the scene of a fire estimated to have caused damages upwards of \$25,000 last Saturday afternoon. The fire, in Building No. 2, was confined to the west end of the building, by quick work of the Wilmington Fire Department, assisted by the Woburn Fire Department.

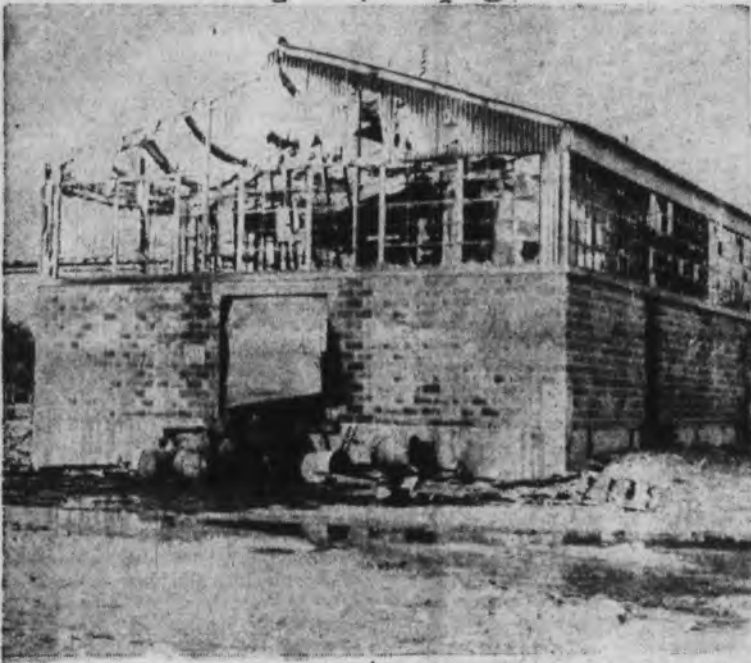
Billerica and Tewksbury each sent assistance, when they heard of the fire. The assistance, however, while deeply appreciated, was not necessary. Tewksbury covered at the Wilmington Fire Station, and Billerica did the same, after learning that the fire was in control, at the Eames Street plant.

The cause of the fire has not yet been announced, although a large number of inspectors and

fire underwriters have been making a survey. It started in the building about 4:55 p.m. Saturday afternoon, while a test run of the plant was being conducted.

The Wilmington and Woburn fire departments were both called by persons connected with the plant, and both departments responded very quickly. Edward Osberg, general manager had nothing but praise for the way the firemen did their work, and stated that, in his opinion, the Wilmington Fire Department was "one of the best."

He also praised the work of the Police Department, finding them to be very co-operative. He reports that the people of the town have "all been wonderful."



Building No. 2 is of cinder block construction, with a steel frame, and steel girders for the roof, which is covered with transite. The cinder block walls are about 12 feet high, and there are windows for another 8 feet all around the building. None of the cinder blocks seem to have been damaged. About 50 percent of the windows were either melted or broken. About 50 percent of the roof is missing. The roof, supposed to be unburnable, deteriorated, it has been explained, because of the combination of dampness on the roof, and the intense heat below. The

girders over the western quarter of the building, of 8 inch steel, buckled and bent under the intense heat, and it was feared that they would fall, as only an inch was remaining to hold the girders in place. However, they are still in place, but a detail of police is keeping all sightseers away.

Three men were employed at the time of the fire, in the neighborhood of the building. Eddy Reynolds, a recently returned war veteran was one of these men, and the other two were Carlo Streton and Donald Coerte.

The building is 80 feet long, and 40 feet wide, and has a fire wall, about one-quarter of the distance from the western end. The fire was on both sides of this wall, and a fire door in the wall was buckled and bent, presumably from the heat. The building is valued at \$20,000, with about \$100,000 in machinery inside the building. Damage to the building has been estimated at about \$8,000, and it is not known how much of the machinery was damaged beyond salvage, but estimates run the total losses at \$25,000 or higher.

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### HELP WANTED

Help is wanted, by 160 Boy Scouts of Wilmington.

The Boy Scouts aren't looking for help, just for themselves. They are looking for aid on a grander plan, one which will provide something to all the youngsters of Wilmington, boys and girls alike.

Up in the northern part of our town is a tract of land, of 40 acres, known approximately as Camp 40 Acres. It belongs to the Wilmington Junior Camps, Inc., a charitable organization which provides it for the use of all Wilmington children.

The camp is amidst rolling hills, and much has to be done to improve it. For several years now, the Boy Scouts have been working on the problem, and a fair start had been made. Three lean-tos, suitable for the use of boys on a camping trip, with appropriate fireplaces, have been made. A road had been bulldozed into the camp area, thanks to the good offices of the Chief of Police, and recently the road was partly graveled, with thanks this time going to the Wilmington Highway Department.

The boys, however, are keenly conscious of the fact that this camp is also intended for the use of girls, and would like to see it in a suitable condition. After all, the Girl Scouts, to name one organization, are just as much of Wilmington as are the Boy Scouts.

A week ago Sunday, a cabin was started, one that could be used by girls. Nothing was done last Sunday, because it was Mother's Day, but a sincere effort is going to be made to finish it by next Sunday. Scout Commissioner Foster Balser has four or five men, who have volunteered to work next Sunday, and he would like to get 12 or 15 more, for the day. All a man has to do is to report for work, Sunday morning, with some sort of carpenter's or other type of tools.

If you are a parent of either a boy or a girl, you can help here no matter what your skills are. One day's work, by a group of determined men, can do wonders.

Balser's boys are not the only ones you will be working for—you will be working for the youth of Wilmington!

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### FIREMAN'S CARNIVAL

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### TAX RATE DROPS TO \$46

Wilmington's tax rate, for 1953 was announced at \$46, late last Wednesday afternoon. The drop, of \$10, from last year's rate of \$56 is believed to be the largest drop in the history of the town.

The tax rate figures had been ready before the date that they were announced, but the announcement could not be made until the figures had been approved by Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Taxation, in the State House.

In spite of the large drop, the state house officials found that the rate had been very conservatively figured. There were ample reserves, they were quoted as saying.

Dean Cushing, Town Manager, commented on the rate, stated that figures in the rate for 1953 take into consideration the building of the new 14 room school on Wildwood Street, and the new Fire and Police Station.

The Assessors of the town also found an honor waiting for them, from Henry F. Long. He has announced that Wilmington's assessors are to be listed among the "blue ribbon assessors" in the state, for their prompt work in getting the figures into his office.

### FIREMEN'S CARNIVAL AT SILVER LAKE

The annual springtime carnival of the Wilmington Firemen's Association is in full swing at Silver Lake. There will be a special kiddies matinee Saturday afternoon.

### LT. AND MRS. SPARKES RETURNING TO THE U. S.

Lt. and Mrs. Thomas Sparkes, formerly of Wilmington, are returning to the United States, after one and one-half years duty with the Army in Japan. Lt. Sparkes expects to be assigned to Virginia, for his next tour of duty.

### TOWN HALL—3311

All telephones in the Town Hall have been put into one system answering to the same number. Actually there are three numbers involved, Wil. 3311, 3312 and 3313, but dialing the first number will be all that will be needed. If the first telephone is busy, the second will be called. If the second telephone is busy, the third will be called. At the same time calls may be transferred from one telephone to another, without necessity of the caller dialing another number. It is expected to be a convenience to people who have business with the Town Hall, via telephone.

### POST OFFICE INFORMATION

Senator Saltonstall has sent additional information to the Town Manager, concerning a new post-office. He reported that the contracts previously called for were being considered, and that in the matter of a public building, Wilmington stood well on the list, but there were no funds available, and it was doubtful if there would be soon, under the present program of Congress.

### ANOTHER INDUSTRY INTERESTED

Dean Cushing reported to the Board of Selectmen, Monday night, that another industry was interested in locating in Wilmington. He described it as a "heavy machinery industry", and said that if it located here it would build a \$100,000 plant and office building.

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## PROGRAM OF WATER INSTALLATIONS

TM Cushing told the Board of Selectmen, Monday night, that the town is not planning to do any private water installations, this year, since it is felt that there is en-

ough work to be done on purely municipal functions, and private contractors are available.

## GASOLINE AND FUEL OIL TANKS DISCUSSED

The licenses for certain gasoline and fuel oil tanks came up for discussion, at the Selectmen's meeting, Monday. Dean Cushing reported that there were two cases where licenses issued in the 1930's had been allowed to expire, and that no licenses were now valid.

In one case, the owner was a corporation doing business in the town, and gassing up its own trucks. The other case was of a service company which had converted the gas tanks to fuel oil, and consequently believed that no license was needed. Cushing disagreed, saying that it was still "inflammable liquid".

## MANAGER ENGINEER STUDENTS

TM Cushing is planning to hire two manager-engineer students, from the University of Maine, for the summer of 1953. These men will be expected to do minor engineering preparation of traffic rules and regulations, set up a program of sidewalk improvements and extensions, re-draft sub-division regulations, and do the groundwork of duplicate st. name changes and re-zoning plans.

The TM told the Selectmen, Monday night, that if the town is to complete its major projects, in 1953, some outside help must be given to the various boards and commissions. By using these students, the town can obtain trained personnel without paying premium wages.

Mrs. Drew asked "Where is the money coming from" when she

heard this news. The TM stated that there was enough expense money, in the various boards and elsewhere, to take care of the costs. He said that the two students, both of whom were highly recommended, would actually be getting less than laborer's pay, but more than they themselves had asked for.

## MASS FEDERATION OF PLANNING BOARDS TO MEET

TM Cushing told the Selectmen, Monday night, that there is to be a meeting of the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards, in Lynn on May 19, and that he hoped that the entire planning Board of Wilmington could attend, since there was to be a major discussion of enabling acts amendments, to strengthen planning board functions.

## WILMINGTON METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Wednesday, May 13th, a Mother and Daughter Banquet will be held at the church at 6:30 P.M. Entertainment will follow.

Thursday the Hobby Club will meet at 7:00 P.M.

Thursday the Choir will rehearse at 8:00 P.M.

Thursday the 14th, Circle 2 will hold a Silver Tea at 1:15 at Mrs. Eleanor Davidson's in Winchester.

Thursday the 14th, Circle 3 will have a dessert luncheon at 1:30 P.M. at Mrs. Joseph Slater's, Grove Avenue.

Thursday the 14th, the Men's Club will meet at 8:00 P.M. at the church. Movies, recreation and refreshments. All men are welcome.

Friday the 15th, the Pilot Group will sponsor a Square Dance at the church at 8:00 P.M. Tickets may be secured at the door. Mrs. Adelaide Meikle will be the caller. Refreshments.

Members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet Friday at the church at 7:30 P.M. to attend a Retreat at Asbury Grove in Hamilton, Sunday, May 17th.

Morning worship at 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. The Pastor will preach on the subject: "Marks of a Mature Person". At the eleven o'clock service, a Sacrament of Baptism will be held. Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.

The Sr. MYF will meet at the church at 5:45 P.M.

Monday, the 18th, the Official Board will meet at the church at 8:00 P.M.

Wednesday through Sunday the Pastor will be attending Annual Conference which this year will be held at Melrose. All sessions are open to the general public. Church people are urged to attend one or more of the sessions. Evening programs begin at 8:00 P.M.

Wednesday, the 20th, the Pilot Group meets at the church at 8:00 P.M. The Pastor will be the speaker.

Thursday at 7:00 the Hobby Club will meet.

Thursday at 8:00 the Choir will rehearse.

Sunday, May 24th, members of the Veteran's organizations of Wilmington will attend the eleven o'clock service.

## DISCUSSION OF ELECTRIC POWER

TM Cushing told the Board of Selectmen, Monday night, that he had prepared a chart showing a comparative survey of Boston Edison, Lowell Electric, and Reading Municipal Light, with rates based on varying kilowatt demands from 25 to 800 kv and from 200 to 700 hours use of demand per month. In addition, the TM has prepared a map showing all high tension and high voltage lines in the area. This map, according to the Town Manager, shows clearly that the extension of a 13.8 kv oh line from the corner of Woburn and Lowell streets in the industrial area near the Geer Plant would reduce industrial power costs in this area. He reported that negotiations between the TM and the companies, and ultimately with the Reading Light were underway.

The Town Manager further reported that he believed the Edison Electric would run a 13.8 kv line from the Sylvania plant, in North Woburn, to this area, and would absorb the transformer loss, in so doing.

## LINCOLN CONVERTIBLE HITS PIPE LINE

A Lincoln Convertible, driven by Kermit Von Kahle of School Street Tewksbury came to grief, Saturday afternoon, on Main street, near the N. E. Gas Property, when it struck a 10 foot gate valve, part of the new waterline being installed along Main street.

Police said that they measured a skid mark 144 feet long, leading to the crash. The car was towed to Cain's Garage.

Gasoline costs the equivalent of 70 to 80 cents a gallon in Europe.

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### A STICKY SUBJECT GETS A WASHING

Dean Cushing, Town Manager, has been, for a long time, a dissatisfied man, when it comes to discussing the price of oil and tar for the highways. It seems that the specifications of the State Department of Public Works state that any dealer in these products who gives any town or city a reduction in price must give the same reduction to the Commonwealth.

The law was probably intended well, but Cushing has all ways said that it did not work out well. He has alleged, on several occasions, that there have been numerous kick-backs in various towns and cities, if not the state itself, by the oil and tar companies. He claims that the price could be two cents a gallon cheaper, if it were not for this particular type of graft, and that it was the specifications of the State Department of Public Works that enforced this particular type of graft.

At one time Cushing appeared before a committee in the Legislature who was considering some particular item about this problem. Some forty men prepared to defend the status quo, and as such they would be the last speakers, after those who wanted a change.

Cushing was the last to speak on having a change, and he ended his speech with a sentence that stated that he had already been in consultation with the

Department of Justice, about this oil and asphalt business.

All the opposition melted away. Not one man spoke against the proposal according to the way Cushing tells the story. Not only that, but he was later told that the committee wanted to have no more debate on the problem, and they hastily turned it over to the legislature, in the record time of one day.

Monday night, at the Selectmen's meeting, Cushing had an announcement to make. It was in the form of a letter from John A. Volpe, new State Commissioner of the Department of Public Works. The letter read: Dean C. Cushing, Town Manager Town of Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir: This is to inform you that the paragraph in our specifications stating that if a dealer sold road materials, such as asphalt and tar, to any city, town or other contractor, at a price less than that for which they were furnishing the State, they must give the State the benefit of that reduction, has been stricken from our specifications.

This action therefore permits the sale at any price desired without penalty. I appreciate your views as they helped me in reaching this decision.

Yours very truly,  
John A. Volpe,  
Commissioner.

Kenneth Lyons offered the congratulations of the Board of Selectmen to Mr. Cushing, on hearing of this news.

### MERVIN CURL CHOSEN FOR JURY DUTY

Mervin J. Curl, 141 Andover Street, an insurance executive was drawn for Jury Duty, Civil, in Lowell Superior Court, for the June session, at the Selectman's meeting, Monday night.

### FIRE INSURANCE

Charles Black, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and TM Cushing visited the New England Fire

Underwriters last week to discuss the general fire insurance rates of the town, and the rates in the "special locality" district of Silver Lake. They also wanted to find out the possibilities of a survey of the present fire protection and prevention program in the Town of Wilmington. This last will include an investigation of fire headquarters, its construction and facilities, a review of the firefighters, including their capabilities and training; an analysis of the water supply and pressure, and future needs, and also recommendations for programming a fire alarm system for the town.

Cushing told the Board of Selectmen, Monday night, that over 18 miles of water mains had been laid, since the last rating of this town. He further reported that a lot of work had been done in the past 6 or 7 years to improve the fire fighting picture in Wilmington, such as the new alarm system. Selectman Black believed that it would be possible to work out a long range program for improving the fire insurance rates and systems of this town.

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### WELCOME HOME

The Crusader is very pleased to be able to say to the J. W. Greer Company of Wilmington (formerly of Cambridge) WELCOME HOME. As of today, May 13, 1953, the J. W. Greer Company will have its offices and manufacturing departments all located in this town.

We hope that we will have you for friends and neighbors for a long time, and that you will never regret your move.

### THE WILDWOOD STREET CURVE

Last winter, on two occasions, cars rounding a curve on Wildwood Street, suddenly found themselves in the swamp. In both cases there was no injury, but also, in both cases, people wondered how the accident could have happened.

The curve is the long one, near the Maple Meadow Brook, toward the Grange Hall. In both cases the cars had been driving East.

Since then we have noticed a set of skid marks, which bid fair to be permanently imbedded in the street, since they are so deep. This set of marks show that the driver of the car succeeded in keeping from going into the swamp, but, significantly, it is headed for the same spot where the other two cars landed.

Readers will remember that, after passing the Wildwood cemetery, the street is straight and wide, for nearly a third of a mile. Then it goes around the curve.

We have been talking with several people about it, and it seems to be a point of common agreement that there is a tendency to speed on the straight-away, since there is only a few houses, and a clear road.

We have also discovered that there is a certain "washboard" effect, just at the curve, to the surface of the street, and it is to this effect that we lay the blame of the accident (not forgetting to include speed).

A car, speeding around the curve, and running into the washboard effect will have its rear wheels off the ground for a major part of the few seconds that it takes to round the curve. These few seconds are vital, because with the rear wheels bouncing around, control of the car is lost, and the price, so far, has been two accidents, or, at least, so we believe.

We recommend to the TM and Selectmen that this curve should be investigated, and, if necessary, steps be taken to correct the situation before somebody ends an accident fatally.

### ASSESSED VALUATION OF WILMINGTON INCREASED OVER \$1,000,000 IN 1952

The assessed valuation of the Town of Wilmington, for the first time, has passed the \$10,000,000 mark. In connection with the announcement of the tax rate, the assessors also released figures pertaining to the town's finances. Real estate in Wilmington, on January 1, 1953 was assessed at \$9,609,585, and personal property was assessed at \$657,436, making the total valuation \$10,267,021.

According to the assessors, the greatest part of this increase has resulted from the new industries which have moved into Wilmington recently. There was a considerable increase, as well, from new home construction, and from revaluation of older buildings.

The gross amount to be raised by the town in 1953 is \$915,507.26. \$477,046.96 of this will be raised by taxes levied on polls and property. The poll tax is computed at \$4,792, the personal property tax at \$30,242.05 and the real estate tax at \$442,040.91.

Of the \$915,507.26 for the town government, \$126,553.08 will be taken from available funds, in accordance with the vote of the annual town meeting.

Estimated receipts for the year total \$308,584.23, and this is understood to have been very conservatively figured. Included in the estimated receipts are \$89,633.77 from income taxes, \$16,078.79 from corporation taxes and \$1,601.42 in Old Age Tax (Meals), all coming from the state.

The money voted for the school department this year, as certified by the Town Clerk, was \$284,791.

The complete breakdown of the assessor's figures were:

|                                                                   |              |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total appropriations to be raised                                 |              |              |
| by taxation                                                       | \$734,019.00 |              |
| Total appropriations taken from available funds                   | 126,553.08   | \$860,572.08 |
| Cart. by Treasurer Tax Title foreclosure at \$36 ea.              |              | 180.00       |
| Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of previous years |              | 3,634.94     |
| Pensions, expenses and military service fund                      |              | 6,352.70     |
| State tax and assessments                                         |              | 3,635.77     |
| County tax and assessments                                        |              |              |
| County tax 11,527.60                                              | 11,527.60    | 16,046.84    |
| Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment                                  | 4,519.24     | 25,084.95    |
| Overlay for current year                                          |              | \$915,507.28 |
| Gross Amount To be Raised                                         |              |              |

|                                        |             |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Estimated Receipts and Available Funds |             |
| Income tax                             | \$89,633.77 |
| Corporation taxes                      | 16,075.79   |
| Reimbursement a/c publicly owned land  | 48.25       |
| Old Age Tax (Meals)                    | 1,601.42    |
| Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise       | 32,000.00   |
| Licenses                               | 2,500.00    |
| General Government                     | 7,000.00    |
| Protection of persons and property     | 1,000.00    |
| Health and Sanitation                  | 1,600.00    |
| Highways                               | 300.00      |
| Charities, (other than                 |             |

|                                          |            |
|------------------------------------------|------------|
| Federal Grants ADC                       | 16,000.00  |
| Old Age Assistance                       |            |
| (other than Federal Grants)              | 36,000.00  |
| Veterans benefits                        | 2,000.00   |
| Schools (Funds from                      |            |
| Income Tax not included)                 | 13,000.00  |
| Public Service Enterprises               |            |
| (such as Water Dept.)                    | 62,500.00  |
| Cemeteries                               | 2,000.00   |
| Interest                                 | 4,000.00   |
| State Assistance for School Construction | 11,325.00  |
| State Ass't. for Transportation          | 10,000     |
| Total Estimated Receipts                 | 308,584.23 |

|                                                             |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Overestimates of previous years, to be used as avail. funds |            |
| County Tax                                                  | 1,841.46   |
| Tuberculosis Hospital                                       | 1,453.55   |
| Amounts voted from avail. funds                             | 126,553.08 |

|                                            |            |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|
| Total Avail. Funds                         | 129,848.09 |
| Total Estimated Receipts and Avail. Funds  | 438,432.32 |
| Net Amount to be Raised By                 |            |
| Taxation on Polls and Property             | 427,074.96 |
| Number of Polls @ \$2.00 ea. 2396 Poll tax | 4,792      |
| Total val. Pers. Pro. \$657,436 @ \$46     | 30,242.05  |
| Real Estate 9,609,585                      | 442,040.91 |

|                                          |              |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Total                                    | 10,267,021   |
| TOTAL TAXES LEVIED ON POLLS AND PROPERTY | \$477,046.96 |
| SCHOOL DEPT. AND EDUCATION               |              |
| AS CERTIFIED BY TOWN CLERK               | \$284,791.00 |

### HOSPITAL WHIST FRIDAY NIGHT

The ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary will be holding a hospital whist in Legion Hall, Friday at 8 p.m. The proceeds are to be used for the disabled veterans at Bedford Hospital. Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly is chairman of the committee, assisted by Mrs. Marguerite Harper, Mrs. Anna Barry, Mrs. Mary White and Mrs. Kay Downing. Tickets are fifty cents.

### NO EXTENSION OF BUS TO WILMINGTON SQUARE

The president of the Eastern Mass Street Railways has written a letter to the Town Manager, saying that the company was not planning, at this time to extend their bus service from the North Woburn line to Wilmington square, or to Perry's Corner. It might be possible, he said, to extend it to the corner of Eames and Main Street.

### BURLINGTON BORROWS THE POLICE TRUCK

Burlington borrowed our Police Truck Sunday, to fill in an emergency when their own cruiser broke down. Equipped with a radio which is on the same wavelength as their own, the truck was able to serve that town well, and was later returned with thanks.

Commenting on the situation, Dean Cushing reported to the Selectmen that he was happy that "we could extend a favor like this".

### WILMINGTON WATER DEPARTMENT

"Effective July 1, 1953, all Wilmington water services previously billed at \$4.50 quarterly, will be increased to \$7.50 quarterly. An investigation will be made by the Water Commissioners upon written application to them by water takers who believe their \$4.50 rate is correct and, if justified, the old rate will be retained."

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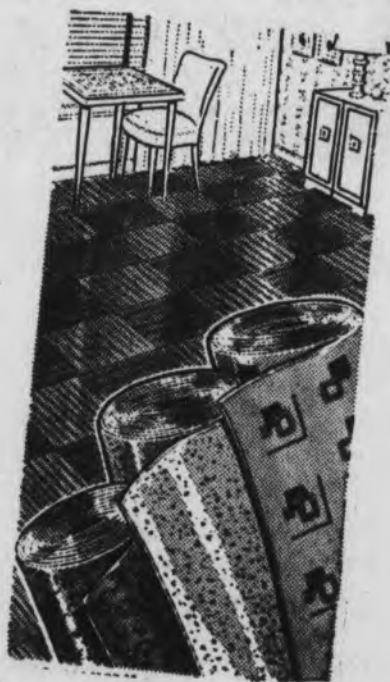
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## LITTLE LEAGUE TEAMS CHOSEN

As a result of the player auction which took five and one-half hours, held at the DAV headquarters last Friday night the following players were bid and are now the property of the Major League Team as listed below.

### YANKS

Carl Page, Wm. Hunnefeld, Robert Etsell, Caton Monterio, Art Boudreau, Paul Kierstead, Clyde McKaba, Wayne Pearson, Warner Allen, Richard Herson, Robert Kerr, Edw. Downs, Wm. Ethier, Don Norton, Albert Penny, Wm. Wybert, Jos. Peters, Richard Simard, Guy Miculizzi, Dan Gillis, James Rodney, Leo Melvin, James Pilcher, Kenny Strickland.

### RED SOX

Jos. Casey, Edw. Casey, W. Cormier, Wm. Thompson, Jim Melzar, Paul Ryan, James Ross, Jos. Beaton, John Tobey, Fred Corbett, Peter Corbett, Chas. White, Jack Walden, Paul Lynch,

George Cain, Mal LeDoux, Wm. Lambert, Brian Phillips, Kevin Benson, Jon Meads, James Trask, Wm. Rochefort, Robert Blanchard, Wm. Strickland.

### TIGERS

William Fay, Richard McKenna, Art Chisholm, James Willis, Walter Geswell, John McCabe, Joe Deegan, John Lewis, Anthony Del Torto, John Harrington, James Stack, Edw. Cuoco, Don Smalley, Robert Lee, Ed. Doucette, Richard Mottolo, Dan Tautges, Donald Weed, David Fuller, David Townly, Wm. Nolan, Robert Parker, George Szadis, Thomas Fuller.

### INDIANS

D. Bemis, James MacMullen, Clifford Knight, Charles Fuller, Stanley Ashdown, Richard Snodgrass, Robert Ahearn, Neil McCormack, Hugh McCormack, Richard Froton, James Donahue, Charles Ingalls, Chas. McDonald, Francis Munroe, Robert Hannoford, Ralph Grassia, Thomas Mullen, John Curtis, Edward Curtis, Edward Palino, Daniel Gouvea, Robert Wetherbee, Lawrence Chisholm.

24 players were chosen by the respective managers and now comes the battle for the 15 player positions on each of the major league teams. From the above lists of teams nine men will be dropped down to the Minor League teams. Little League rules state that each squad will be cut to fifteen players by opening day. However, any boy referred to the minor league will be outstanding player during the season in the minor leagues can be brought up to the major league club.

The following is the practice time and place as announced by the managers.

### TIGERS

Tuesday night—at the Common—6 o'clock.

### YANKEES

Tuesday night—at the Common—6 o'clock.

### RED SOX

Wednesday night—at Thompson's Grove—6 o'clock.

### INDIANS

Wednesday night—at the Town Park—6 o'clock.

In 1945, the total wholesale value of petroleum products consumed in the United States was \$3,732,560,000. In 1951, the total had risen to \$9,370,568,000. Motor fuel alone rose from \$2,202,460,000 in 1945 to \$5,458,117,000 in 1951.

## HOW LITTLE LEAGUE TEAMS ARE CHOSEN

Suppose you were called upon to choose, from 260 boys who wanted to play in Little League, four teams of 15 boys each, a total of sixty. Could you do it in a manner that would be fair? Of course, you say! But could you?

Little League has strict rules, to ensure that the choice will be fair, and that there will be no favoritism. The rules are so designed as to test each boy's ability not by one but by three judges, and it doesn't make any difference who the father of the boy is, either!

Larry Cushing, Physical Educational Director of the Wilmington Public Schools is the "Players Agent" of Little League. It is up to Larry, and his two assistants Joseph Beaton and Charles Ritchie, to do the judging, and to see that every boy has a chance.

The first rule is that the boy has to show up. If he doesn't want to play, he merely stays away. If he stays away he doesn't play.

Before the boys become members of a team, they first have to go through a "tryout session", at which the three players agents judge each boy, individually. Each judge keeps his own record, as each boy is put through a series of tests. The tests are by age groups, so that any boy is up against boys of his own class. Each boy is timed as he runs two bases, a total of 40 yards; is tested for a distance throw; for his fielding, both on fly balls and on ground balls, and on his hitting.

If a boy can run forty yards, touching both bases in 7.9 seconds or less he gets 4 points. If he takes up to 8.4 seconds he gets 3 points. 8.9 seconds gives him 2 points, 9.4 seconds one point. Likewise, a boy who can throw 60 feet gets a point, 85 feet two points, 110 feet 3 points and 130 feet four points. In fielding, the boy will get 1/2 point for each catch or field. There are five balls in each class, so that a perfect score would be 5. Last of all the boys gets five chances to hit the ball, while at bat. Each is a point, but in this case the judges are allowed to add a plus or minus, according to the strength behind the hit. The total, in this system can be anywhere from 0 to 17, and it is all up to the boy.

After the three players agents have marked each boy, they compare notes.

In the case of the Wilmington Little League, out of a total of 240 boys who were present for the tryouts, there was one case in which any of the judges differed by one point or over, which shows how uniform and fair the rules are.

The boys are graded according to their points, with 4.0 being the highest grade (although there can be a 4.0 plus, for an exceptional player). A boy who made a total of 1 to 4 points is marked 1, a total of 5 to 8 makes the mark 2, 9 to 12 is 3, and 13 to 17 is 4.0.

While the agents have been putting the boys through their paces, the team managers and co-managers have also been watching the boys. Like team managers in the big leagues, they are looking for "material".

Then, last Friday, in the Disabled American Veterans Hall, came the "auction" in which the team managers were allowed to buy their boys. Each manager had a total of 36,000 points to spend. He could spend it as he wished, but obviously if he spent too much to get, say, a star shortstop, he wouldn't have as much to spend on the rest of the team. Obviously, this called for judgement on the part of the managers.

The score, on the individual boys, as compiled by the Players Agents were open to the managers for inspection, but they did not have to use these scores, if they so chose.

Larry Cushing, as Players Agent, conducted the auction. Each Manager, in turn, could propose the name of a boy, to be "sold". Then he could bid, and if no other manager out-bid him, the boy was "sold" to his team. That there must have

been spirited bidding is shown by the fact that the auction took over 5 1/2 hours.

24 players were chosen for each team. These 24 players now have to report for practice, at the site where the team practice is to be played. No team comes from any one section, which is the fairest way for practice. The boys must report - if they don't they are not on the team.

The Little League season starts on May 31st, a Sunday. (This is the only Sunday scheduled for play - others, however, might be used for a playoff) By that time each team manager must have cut down his team to a staff of 15. Competition will be stiff, but fair, and those who do not stay on the team might possibly get on it again, later in the season.

The rules are very rigorous as to the ages of the boys. No more than five boys may be 12 years old, and no more than five may be 11. That leaves at least five for the ages of 10 or under, and this number might be increased if there were, say only 4 12 year olds. If a manager chooses to forego having a full five members 12 years old, he cannot make up the difference with 11 year old players. The difference, in any case, must be in those 10 or under.

Now - what about the boys who do not make one of the four teams - what happens to them?

These boys were obviously not as good as the first string players. It might have been a minor fault, or one of greater proportions. Perhaps John Jones was a great fielder, and a fast runner, but missed the ball every time he swung at it. Obviously, he needs practice at batting. There are two answers, in Little League.

The first is the "farm teams". There will be four of these, not with the stature of the four first string teams, but with plenty of baseball, for the up and coming youngster. If he isn't good enough for one of the four teams this year, he can go to a farm team, have a wonderful time, and perhaps be ready to play with a major league team next year.

Some boys, of course, may not know enough about baseball to play on a "farm team". This is no disgrace, for instance, maybe his daddy doesn't play, and never took the boy out. The reflection might be on his daddy, but it certainly isn't on the

boy. For these boys, there is the "clinic".

The clinic is really the best thing about Little League. This is the place where the boy that never played learns the rudiments of the game. This is the place where the boy who is bashful learns to live with his fellow men. This is the place where the possibly mal-adjusted boy gets a chance to learn that he is a real boy, just like the others. It will do a wonderful job, in bringing out the best in the boy.

It is no disgrace to be a player in the clinic, for here is the point where a boy gets the very best training. One of the best players in the Woburn Little League, last year, started the season in the clinic. He was a good player, but with one deficiency. The clinic taught him how to overcome that deficiency, and you know the rest.

All in all, the Little League is just as fair as it can be, and if any fond parent believes that his boy's abilities have been overlooked, it is altogether possible that the parent may have been using rose colored glasses, when he watched his boy play.

There are a few rules that the boys must remember and they are all designed to help the boys become good ball players and good citizens.

1. They must show up for practice.
  2. No swearing or profanity is allowed, at any time.
  3. No smoking.
  4. They must obey their managers, and they must always run on and off the fields.
- They are simple rules, and good ones. Any boy who is unable to understand and obey them has no business trying for Little League, and that's for sure!

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GIRL SCOUTS TROOP 102  
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Troop 102 of the Wilmington Girl Scouts held their meeting on May 7th at the home of Mrs. Clara Crotty, on Silverhurst Avenue, with Mrs. Crotty and Mrs. Jean Melzar in charge. The girls are studying for their home nursing merit badge, and had practice in the making of beds, and the caring of patients. Patients were Marion Kelly and Kathleen Calnan.

REPORT BY  
CHARLES WILKINSON

## Editors Note:

This is a second of a series of reports to be made by Charles Wilkinson, of Reading, representative for the 18th Middlesex District, which includes Wilmington, in the Legislature. Mr. Wilkinson is fulfilling a campaign pledge, in making these reports, that he would tell the people of his experiences in the State House.

"I wish you would tell us what Roll Call is" is a question that has been asked many times. First, let me say a Roll Call is not to check the daily attendance of the Members as so many seem to think. A Roll Call is to make a public permanent record of how a Member votes on a certain issue then before the House. When the question is put to the Members, it is always put so the answer must be "yes" or "no." As the Clerk of the House calls the names of the Members alphabetically, each Member answers, "Yes" or "No," according to his conviction.

A Roll Call may come twenty-five minutes after the House opens, as it did the other day, or one may come after midnight as it did a couple of weeks ago. Many bills are disposed of by a voice vote, some by a standing vote, and others go to a Roll Call.

To know the procedure leading to a Roll Call, suppose we consider an actual case of April 7, 1953, which is recorded in the House Journal and is a public record.

On April 6 a bill "To provide certain funds—" had been voted favorably by a Roll Call of 115 to 99. Now after a bill has been acted on it is permissible to ask for reconsideration before a certain time in the next session, which is usually the next day, and must have the consent of the house before it can be reconsidered.

On April 7 Mr. X who had opposed the bill the day before, asked "That the vote be reconsidered by which the House, at the preceding sitting, passed to be enacted the engrossed Bill

to provide certain funds—" The Speaker recognized Mr. X who then stepped to the "Mike" where he proceeded to state his reasons for wanting reconsideration. He was followed by others who either favored Mr. X's motion or were against it.

When the debate had finally come to an end, the Speaker said, "The question comes on Mr. X's motion for reconsideration; those in favor will vote in the affirmative, and those opposed will vote in the negative." He then asked for a voice vote, the result of which was plainly in the negative. Mr. X immediately arose when the Speaker announced the result, saying, "I doubt the vote," which calls for a standing vote. The standing vote resulted in 38 in favor and 83 against. Mr. X still had another chance, and when the result of the standing vote was announced, he again rose and said, "Mr. Speaker, I further doubt the vote," which brings it to a Roll Call.

Now to get this next vote Mr. X cannot get it on his request only as he did the standing vote, but he must be surprised by 29 others, as a Roll Call can only be had when 30 or more request it. Therefore, the Speaker then said, "Mr. X further doubts the vote and asks that the sense of the House be taken by the ayes and nays. Those joining with him will arise, and the monitors will return the count." (The monitors are certain members appointed by the Speaker at the beginning of the year.)

More than the required 30 stood with Mr. X; so a Roll Call began with the Clerk of the House calling the names of the Members. The result was that Mr. X lost again by the count of 90 ayes to 11 nays.

Members take the Roll Call seriously and try to miss as few as possible, as at the end of the year the number of missed Roll Calls is usually printed in the papers. Recently we had ten Roll Calls in one day, eight of them on one bill. If a man was out sick that day, as a couple were, it will look bad to his constituents to learn later that he lost ten Roll Calls, but this might be the only day he was absent during the entire session.

We have one Member from one section of Boston who is blind. Mrs. Green comes in every morning with him, staying through the day until the House adjourns. Mr. Green in his ten years has not missed one session or one Roll Call. About two years ago he slipped one evening as he was going home, breaking an ankle. The House was to be closed for three days. Mr. Green was taken to the hospital where his ankle was set and a cast applied. On the third day Mr. Green was in his seat, cast and all. Mrs. Green said, "It was tough on George getting in and out of a taxi, but that was the only way he could make it." Mrs. Green is a remarkable woman.

Recently the House kept going well into the evening. Two of the Members, who live in Boston, had a social affair to attend. Somehow their folks got their evening clothes to them, and they, taking advantage of the debate, went into one of the back rooms to change. A Roll Call came up which moved rather rapidly, as we all wanted to get home; so the two members in the back room were literally caught "with their pants down." Two or three of the others knew about it and sought to delay the count. Just as the Speaker began to announce the result there was a loud yell, "MR. SPEAKER," which stopped the result from being announced, and in came the two in full dress to give their vote.

I have tried to give a picture of a Roll Call. We know they are necessary at times, but we all join in saying, "Blessed is the day we have no Roll Call."

—Chas. E. Wilkinson

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## POPPY DRIVE A SUCCESS

The American Legion Auxiliary announces that the Poppy Drive of May 1st and 2nd was a success, and extends its thanks to all the people of Wilmington, and to the ladies who helped. Mrs. Marguerite Harper and Mrs. Mary Galvin were co-chairmen of the committee and others on the committee were Mrs. Viola McMahon, Mrs. Jean Moore, Mrs. Lee Hamilton, Mrs. Pauline Kobylis, Mrs. Dorothy Hollien, Mrs. Mary Starr, Mrs. Emma Geary and Mrs. Mildred Tautges.

## GRASS ROOTS OPINION

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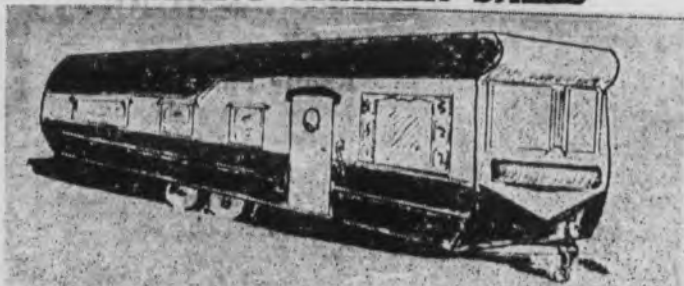


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The Wilmington School Committee is conducting its annual survey of all schools. Last Thursday the committee visited the Maple Meadow School, the West School and the Walker School. May the 12th was inspection night for the Mildred Rogers School, the Buzzell School, and the Center School.

The committee makes this inspection, each year, to prepare a program of summer time repairs.

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**D. A. V. NEWS**

The Department of Defense has informed the Disabled American Veterans that less than 1,000 veterans of the Korean campaign have suffered major amputations since the outbreak of that conflict.

Information received from the Wm. F. Tattersall Chapter 106, DAV said a query by DAV National Headquarters in Cincinnati prompted the information which was forwarded to the local Chapter last week.

They said that the Department of Defense a major amputation as "the loss of part or all of an extremity, excluding the loss of fingers or toes only."

It was reported that of the 94,863 servicemen that have been wounded in the Korean action, 85 per cent of this total have been returned to duty.

"One of the most significant aspects of the report," said Chapter 106, "is that currently 97 per cent of the wounded reaching medical care in Korea have been saved. The time required to get a wounded man to medical treatment in combat varies in accordance with the tactical situation, terrain, weather, transportation available and many other factors. The use of helicopters in the forward-area evacuation in Korea has materially reduced the time required in comparison with World War II but no precise computation is available at this time.

**FRANK STEVENS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Frank Stevens, Federal Street, North Wilmington, was elected president of the Holy Name Society of St. Thomas Church, at a meeting in the American Legion Hall, Sunday. Stevens who has held nearly every office in Holy Name Society is a well known local resident. He is also a member of the Wilmington Finance Committee of the American Legion, and of other civic organizations.

Elected Vice President was Arthur B. Harper 31 Crest Avenue, Treasurer Joseph Beaton, Wildwood Street, and Secretary Bernard McMahon, Middlesex Avenue. Delegates are Nicholas De Felice, Commonwealth Avenue, and James Mackey of Mackey Road.

The new officers for the ensuing year will be installed at the Father's and Son's Communion Breakfast, on the third Sunday in June.

**HIT AND RUN DRIVER SENTENCED IN WOBURN COURT**

Charles H. Campbell of Maynard, appeared in Woburn Court, last Thursday, for final findings of charges of hit and run, preferred by the Wilmington police, as the result of an accident in North Wilmington on May 2nd. Campbell had made a plea of guilty, on May 4th to charges of being under the influence of liquor, of driving to endanger, and of leaving the scene of an accident, after causing property damage.

Judge Henchy put Campbell on probation for six months, because of the first charge, and fined him a total of \$55 on the last two charges.

**ENGAGEMENT OF MISS EATON**

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Eaton, 26 Ballardvale Street, North Wilmington, announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy R., to Corporal Frank C. Tumbarello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Tumbarello, 234 Salem Street, Woburn, Mass.

Miss Eaton presently attends Wilmington High School.

Her fiancé attended Woburn schools, later enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. He has recently returned from serving sixteen months of overseas duty for which he was awarded the Purple Heart Medal and the Gold Star in lieu of the second Purple Heart Medal for wounds sustained in Korean combat.

No date has been set for the wedding.

**BEVERLY ROUNDS CHOSEN BY AMERICAN LEGION AUX. FOR "GIRLS STATE"**

Miss Beverly Rounds, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Rounds, 430 Salem Street, a student at Wilmington High School, has been chosen by the American Legion Auxiliary of Post 136 to represent Wilmington at "Girls State." Miss Gertrude Geswell, of West Street was chosen as alternate, at the same time by the Legion Auxiliary.

Miss Rounds will be one of more than 200 girls from High Schools, all over the state, who will be citizens of a mythical 49th State of the Union, during a week's conference at State Teacher's College, Bridgewater, Massachusetts, June 18th to 25th, 1953.

Girls State is a school of Political Science, conducted by the American Legion Auxiliary as a part of its Americanism program. Experts in the field of Government, prominent officials of the Commonwealth, City and Town representatives and Court Officials will visit the State during the coming week. Girl Staters who become citizens of this mythical 49th State will learn not only how Government operates but will actually perform many of the duties incident to the offices of the Commonwealth, Counties, Cities and Towns.

Glasses are interesting and inspirational. Recreation, Music and Sports complement the daily program. Each girl is sponsored by a Unit of the Auxiliary, or other interested civic groups, who wish to promote good citizenship.

Miss Anna M. Manion of Waltham, Past Department President of Massachusetts is Director, with Mrs. Mark W. Murrill, Past National President of the Auxiliary as Honorary Director, and is assisted by the Girls State Commission composed of Miss Adelaide L. Fitzgerald, Secretary-Treasurer; Vice Directors, Mrs. Joseph S. Nutter of Melrose; Mrs. Charles McStravick of Boston, Mrs. Lucy E. Haeslich of Boston, Mrs. Alfred C. Hendrickson of Boston; and Mrs. William H. O'Connell of Dorchester as well as Counselors who volunteer for this duty each year.

Four cities and towns make up this mythical 49th State, designed to teach appreciation of citizenship, and each of the names is selected with the thought that if practiced, she would do much to promote peace and goodwill; such as, Justice, Freedom, Democracy, Loyalty, Peace, Faith, Understanding, Unity and Tolerance are among the names seen over the rooms in which the various Cities and Towns and Counties assemble.

Each day will include busy activities for these young citizens with Town, City and County elections, party caucuses, State primaries and the final election of the six top officers in the State followed by organization of the House and Senate. Girls belonging to Federal Party are designated by wearing blue crew caps while those assigned to National Party will wear the yellow crew caps. One day is devoted to a Court Session.

Many girl staters of previous years are majoring in Government in view of the interest awakened at Girls State and have planned to make Civics their chosen field. Church services are planned for girls of all Faiths and it is inspiring to observe that all girls attend some church on the Sunday they are at Girls State.

Speeding on U.S. highways injured nearly 600,000 men, women and children.

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**WHITEFIELD MOTHER'S CLUB VOTES \$30 FOR "JUNGLE GYM" FUND**

The Whitefield School Mother's Club, at its meeting last Thursday, began to prepare for the fall season. It voted \$30 from the money realized by its Film Varieties program, last February, towards the purchase of a "jungle gym," a cube of pipes arranged in a manner that is appealing to children, who like to crawl through and climb on them, and one that is without danger. Other plans were made for seeing that the school yard is properly graded, and that a sandbox will be available for the little tots to play in.

Mrs. Ruth Trow, of Nichols Street, a guest speaker, led in a discussion group, an innovation by the ladies of the club. Ten questions were asked, and the ladies debated the answers, informally. The questions, which were prepared by the University of Massachusetts, and the Middlesex County Extension Service were:

1. Does the adolescent who causes parents little or no concern present the most serious problem?

2. Should adolescents be encouraged to work for wages even if financial assistance at home is not needed?

3. Do parents oppose the child's natural struggle for complete and early independence?

4. Is the best adviser the parent who listens most and advises rarely?

5. Do children need the same character traits today that were needed a century ago?

6. Since the child's environment no longer is bound by his immediate neighborhood, should parents be vigilant to guard the wider neighborhood—that is the community and state?

7. How do you handle the problem of a child's doing whatever "the crowd" does?

8. Is it necessary for parents to refrain from smoking and drinking, if they want their children to abstain also?

9. How can parents earn the confidence of their children?

10. Why is it often easier for people to confide in a friend rather than a member of the family?

11. Do you believe outside influences are becoming too strong for parents to cope with?

In other business of the meeting, it was voted to give the Little League \$5. Mrs. Jean Epstein reported that the taxi service for the Dental Clinic was operating in a very satisfactory manner. A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Allgrove and Mrs. Jackman for their work on the Film Varieties program, and a nominating committee, consisting of Mrs. Mortelliti, Mrs. Lyons and Mrs. Spstein was appointed.

The project and ways and means committee, consisting of Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Jackman, which has been doing a lot of work in the planning for the club, was augmented by having Mrs. Ridley, Mrs. Mortelliti and Mrs. Epstein added to the list of committeewomen.

**GOT ANY PLAYER ROLLS???**

Chapter 106 DAV has had donated to them a beautiful player piano minus player rolls. It is requested that any person having any player rolls they do not want and wish to donate them to the DAV 106 please leave them at George's Restaurant or call Joe Sottile at Wil. 3034 and he will pick them up at your house.

**DAUGHTER TO MR. AND MRS. J. DEMING**

Mr. and Mrs. James Deming of West Palm Beach, Florida, announce the birth of their daughter, Carol Ann, born April 20th. Mrs. Deming was formerly Carolyn Cowhig of Wilmington.

**HNS APPOINTS COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

The Holy Name Society, on June 10th, in Legion Hall, appointed president Nicholas De Felice; Vice president Frank Stevens, Arthur B. Harper and Joseph Beaton to be a committee for the preparation of the Father's and Sons Communion Breakfast, on June 21st.

The committee will announce the place for the breakfast at a later date.

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## TOWN NOTES

## WEATHER

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ning to show above the water, and the summer-time birds are here in full force.

This will be the week of apple blossoms, and lilacs. We prefer the lilacs, — they don't present us with wormy apples later on!

Oh Yes! We had .67 inches of rain, but don't mention it!

## OAK LEAVES AND SQUIRRELS EARS

The oak trees on the hills have leaves the size of squirrels ears, which is the traditional sign that the New England farmer uses, for corn planting time.

We have noted a few gardens around town in which the peas are up to a height of two or three inches. Of course we aren't interested, except that we are wondering who will win the Wilmington Crusaders Golden Pea Spoon award this year. Each year the back yard garden to first produce a full meal of peas for the family table, wins our mythical award. Present holder is Mrs. Emma Sargent, of Woburn Street, winner of last year's award.

**CATERPILLARS ARE OUT TOO**  
Sometime last March your correspondent took out a bunch of Boy Scouts, looking for nests of caterpillar eggs. Once a person learns to spot the eggs, the lesson is never forgotten, and we hoped to teach the Boy Scouts, and thus rid some parts of Wilmington of a perennial problem.

We ranged all over Andover Street, without finding a nest. Now that spring has come, though, we have noted that there are nests in many other parts of town, including our own back yard.

The time to get rid of them, incidentally, is now.

## ABIGAIL'S ISLAND

Abigail's Island, in the middle of Nod Pond (behind the pumping station) has been cleared of all vegetation. Now a source of gravel for the town, it presents a bleak and desolate appearance. Seen from Andover street, it looms into sight in a large way, but it doesn't look so large on closer inspection.

## JOE WOODS HAS A JOKE

During the Selectmen's meeting, Monday night, Selectman Joseph Woods related an incident, concerning our loaning the Town of Burlington our Police Truck last Sunday.

It seems that a citizen of Burlington was afraid that Burlington had purchased the truck and asked Woods if this was so. Woods solemnly affirmed his guess to be the truth.

## THE BIGGEST JOKE OF 1953

The Rev. Stanley Cummings, of the Congregational Church has his own ideas on the biggest joke of 1953. He says that it is a law which was recently passed in California prohibiting gambling, except in clubs and churches!

## EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

Among the papers that were considered by the Selectmen, Monday night, was one in which they were asked to attest to the character of some people, living in Wilmington, who are establishing a club in a neighboring town. The club, according to the papers, is for the purpose "to establish and maintain a place for holding meetings and to perform and encourage educational, social, athletic and civic activities and to do all things necessary and incidental thereto, permissible under Chapter 180 of the General Laws and these purposes shall include the right to apply for a license to sell alcoholic beverages.

All except the last 16 words were printed, and the remainder typed. The Selectmen seemed to find it quite amusing.

## OTIS ELLIS DIES IN CALIF.

Otis A. Ellis, 81 years of age, of 5975 Hereford Drive, Montebello Park, Los Angeles, California, passed away April 16.

Mr. Ellis was a resident of Silver Lake for a number of years and as a master plumber, he conducted his own business. He also served on the Wilmington police force for eight years under the late Chief Hill and was also a deputy fire warden.

In 1923, Mr. Ellis and his family moved to California and was in business until 1948 when he retired. He had been in ill health for the past year.

He is survived by his widow, Minnie, two daughters, Miss Mabel Ellis of Montebello Park, Mrs. Edith Fleming of San Diego, one granddaughter and two great grandchildren.

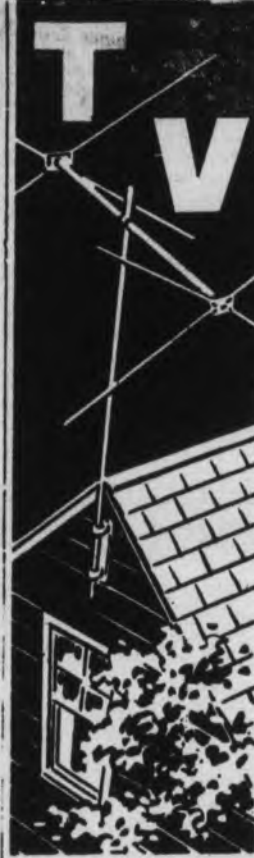
## LIST OF ACTIVE CUSTOMERS TO BE REDUCED

The TM, Monday night told the Board of Selectmen that, after consultation with the Water Commissioners, it is planned to notify all water takers owing for accounts prior to Dec. 31, 1952 that no further time will be granted after May 29, 1953. Delinquents will then be dropped from the town list of active customers.

## SEWAGE STUDY BILL IS BEFORE WAYS AND MEANS

The sewage study bill, for the town of Wilmington, is currently being considered by the Ways and Means Committee of the House, in the State House. Known as House 2350, the bill would empower a study as to whether or not it would be feasible to have Wilmington join the Metropolitan sewerage system. In order to be able to make the study, the Ways and Means Committee must recommend that money should be appropriated, after which, of course, the Legislature must appropriate the recommended sum, all of which may or may not be done.

Dean Cushing, Town Manager, reported to the Board of Selectmen, Monday night that Clarence I. Stearling, Commissioner of the



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## WOMEN'S CLUB ANNUAL LUNCHEON

The Wilmington Women's Club will hold its Annual Luncheon on Thursday, May 21 in the Vestry of the Methodist Church. Luncheon at 1 p.m. will be followed by a short business meeting at 2 p.m. Mrs. Herbert Pickering presiding.

The program for the afternoon will be selected dramatic reading by Marjorie Shepard, Comeditne Miss Shepard has been well recommended to the Club. Members and their guests can look forward to an entertaining afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Michelson and Mrs. John Hayward are Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Luncheon Committee. Assisting them are Mrs. E. Hayward Bliss, Mrs. Winston Chamberlin, Mrs. Frank Stevens, Mrs. John Cooke, Mrs. Charles

Rounds, Mrs. Harold Melzar, Mrs. Kenneth Kelley and Mrs. Harold Wilson.

Members who wish to obtain tickets for themselves or their guests may make reservations by calling Wil. 3306 or 2100. All reservations must be made by Monday, May 18. There will be no tickets sold at the door.

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## LAPLAND LONGSPUR

The chances are good that if the snows of the winter have vanished from the fields of the United States by the time this is read, it will be another winter before the Lapland Longspurs again come south across the border from their northern breeding ground. During the winter months they may be seen south of the Canadian border from Dakota to Texas and east to South Carolina. In the Old World they came south in both Europe and Asia to about 30 degrees North latitude.

The breeding territory is bounded on the south by approximately the last trees, although this is not a safe arbitrary boundary.

Lapland Longspurs may be seen above the snow. If the ground is bare they have exceptional ability to conceal themselves by crouching on the ground. They are usually feeding with other birds such as Horned Larks, Snow Buntings, Juncos, and now and then a Tree Sparrow. Like the Junco, the Lapland Longspurs a slightly greater wing-spread than the Tree Sparrows, the Longspurs being between 10 and 11 inches and the Tree Sparrows between 9 and 10.

Like the Horned Larks, and unlike the Juncos and Tree Sparrows, the Longspurs may run instead of hop and like the Horned Larks the Longspurs show a conspicuous, long-toe track. There are four species of Longspurs to be found in the North America continent of which the Lapland Longspur is the eastern representative. Two other species may accidentally find their way east of the prairie country now and then. Grassland or salt-marsh country

in our illustration is for the most part missing though there are dark to blackish spots on the sides of the throat and black of the eye. The females looks much like the adult male in winter but lacks much of the dark brown and black of the male.

Superficially these birds look like brown Juncos, or remotely like Vesper Sparrows which would be far away when the Longspurs were to be seen in the United States.

Economically the birds serve a role as destroyers of weed seeds though it is doubtful if this is important in view of the abundance of seeds available. They are interesting to watch in winter weather, however, and the National Wildlife Federation hopes that they will never be driven from their natural range.

E. Laurence Palmer

Phillie fans are wasting no time in honoring Robin Roberts, whose 28 wins last year have brought him acclaim as the "greatest pitcher in the game today." The popular 26-year old righthander will be feted at a "Robin Roberts Day" at Connie Mack Stadium Sunday (April 26.) A 1953 Cadillac, refrigerator, console TV-radio combination and a home air-conditioning unit will be among the gifts presented to the young genius. Senator J. Allen Frear of Delaware will make the presentation.

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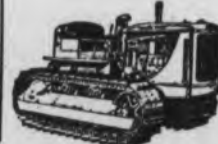
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event did happen, the resulting toast more closely resembled charcoal, but this was accepted as one of the hazards of life.

Then our loyal helpmeet began to drop little hints about the automatic pop-up type of toaster. Perhaps she hinted for six months, and perhaps she hinted for six years, but your correspondent finally got the idea, and dropped in to a well-known appliance store, just before last Christmas.

The clerk was extremely helpful, and trotted out a dozen automatic pop-up toasters, for our inspection. We closely examined them all, and pretended that we knew all about electricity. We finally chose a gleaming model,

with a "toast-dial." It cost only slightly less than a modern home, and was very attractive.

Our little Christmas gift was gladly accepted, and for a few weeks stood in a place of honor, in the middle of the breakfast table. Peace and harmony reigned in our little domicile.

Then sometime in the middle of January, something went wrong with our modern electrical marvel. It might simply have been that a screw was loose, or it might have been a severe case of subjunctive conductiveitis, we wouldn't have known the difference. There was only one solution—take it back to the appliance store.

After a while, with sufficient prodding from other members of our family, we remembered, one morning to put the toaster in the trunk of our car. It rode around the country for a week or two, until we finally remembered to take it into the appliance store.

The clerk who sold us the toaster was out, but another clerk, all smiles, assured us that it would be fixed very quickly.

After a month or two, we began to notice that the family was complaining because the toaster had not been returned, so we dropped into the appliance store, to see how the little marvel was getting along. It stood in exactly the same spot where we had left it. No one knew anything about it, and after several clerks had examined several account books, the situation was

still the same. No one knew anything. However, quick action was promised, and we departed blissfully.

Since then we have been back several times. Each time we have a different clerk, who consults ledgers, and then, after half an hour, or so, confesses complete ignorance, and promises quick action.

The last time we were in was about a week ago, in May. We know that somebody had thought about it, for we have found that one of the clerks has inserted our calling card corner-wise under the calling card that we left glued to the package. Otherwise nothing has happened.

The last clerk promised "quick action." We still live in hopes, and our family is still using the old fashioned toaster that sometimes delivers charcoal, if you're not attentive.

**NATIONAL GUARDSMEN ELIGIBLE TO TAKE PRELIMINARY WEST POINT EXAMINATION**

Applications from eligible members of the Massachusetts Army and Air National Guard are now being accepted by National Guard Company Commanders for the preliminary examination scheduled for early July 1953 at Fort Devens, for entrance to the United States Military Academy in July 1954. Successful passing of this Designating Examination will allow the best qualified candidates to become eligible for the regular West Point examination to be held in March 1954.

Information as to the requirements for entrance to the United States Military Academy for National Guardsmen may be obtained at any armory in the state.

Three members of the Massachusetts National Guard have just been appointed to the United States Military Academy and will enter the class starting July 7 this year.

The men are PFC John B. Chaffe, Hingham; PFC Joseph W. O'Neil, Malden and Cpl. Clifford A. Walton, Framingham.

**ST. THOMAS NEWS**

**MASSSES:**  
Sundays: 7:00; 8:30; 10:30; 11:30.  
At Silver Lake 8:45; 10:45.

**BAPTISMS:**  
Sundays at 2:00 p.m. in the Rectory.

**CONFESSIONS:**  
Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and at 7:30 p.m.

At Silver Lake at 3:30 p.m.  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** After the 8:30 and 8:45 Masses.

First Communion Classes Tuesday and Thursday after school at the Church.

Released Time Classes in Religion Monday and Tuesday at the last hour of the school day.

Next Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for all school pupils of the Parish.

The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord occurs next Thursday. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Masses will be at 6:00; 7:00; 8:00; and 9:00.

Masses at Silver Lake at 7:00 and 9:00.

Banns III: William J. Vase and Barbara E. Gray.

Organ Fund Donations are welcome and are gratefully acknowledged on the Bulletin Board at the rear of the Church.

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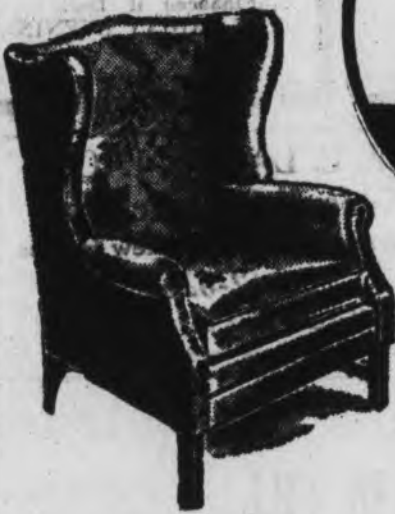
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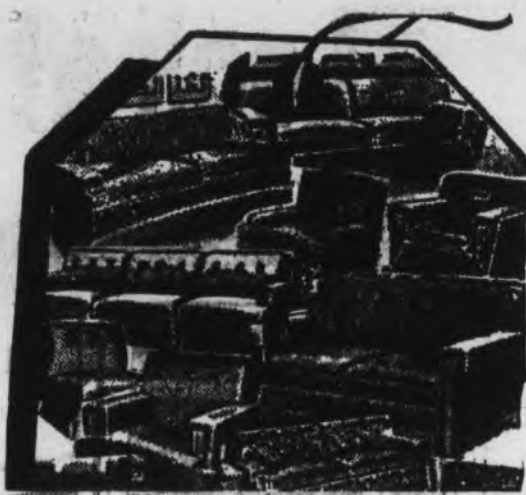
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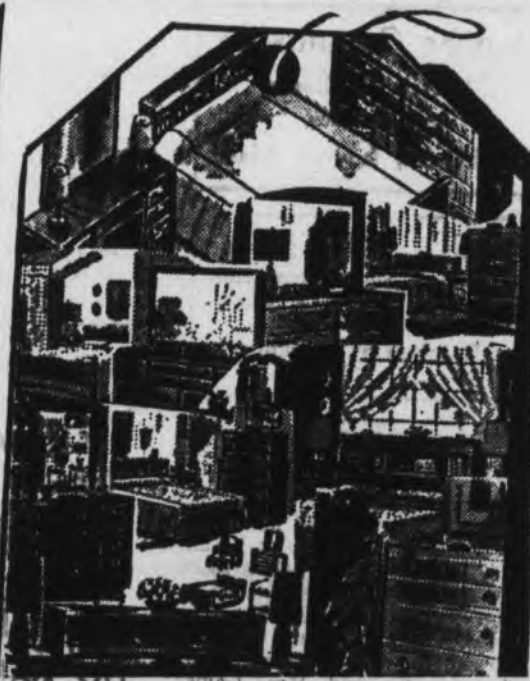
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## CONGREGATIONAL

The North Branch of the L.B.S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Engene Coombs on Thursday at 1 p.m. The East Branch will hold a food sale at the home of Mrs. Raymond Ashworth, 117 Church St., on Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This church will be represented by the minister and Mrs. Gaius Harmon at an ordination council in West Medford on Friday, and by the minister and Miss Nancy Noble at another in Melrose Highlands on Sunday. Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Cummings and Guy Nichols will be the official delegates from the church at the annual meeting of the State Conference at Springfield May 18-20.

The Center Branch of the L.B.S. will hold a luncheon meeting at the home of the captain, Mrs. Gladys Swenson, on Wednesday, May 20th, at 1 p.m.

## ARE YOU A LITTLE LEAGUE MEMBER? IF NOT... WHY NOT? ASKS LITTLE LEAGUE

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A couple of weeks ago the Little League here in Wilmington initiated a drive to procure "members" of the Wilmington Little League. To date, about 190 citizens have responded with donations ranging from \$1.00 to \$25.00. To become a Little League "member" and be entitled to a membership card you are asked to donate a minimum of \$1.00. The proceeds of this drive will be used to buy equipment and other things not covered by the original sponsorship. If you haven't joined as yet send your donation in to Little League c/o Wilmington Post Office.

## JOIN NOW - DON'T WAIT

The following is a list of the "new members".

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Surrence, James E. Harrington, Mrs. Walter S. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Whalen, Ralph H. Biggar, Mrs. F. H. Lawson, Frank Homer S. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chisholm, Mrs. Harold Swain, Helen Hayward, Mrs. Edith Stevens, Mr. Eugene Coombs, Jean Ramsdell, Mrs. V. Talbert, R. C. Coe, Anna McMahon, M. J. Hosmer, Joe Batos, Mrs. Wm. P. Mills, Stanley Cummings, Mrs. Merle Mullarkey, Mr. Nichols, Helen A. Hamilton, Arthur V. Lynch, Mrs. Elaine B. Curran, Benjamin Harrison, Louis L. Kleynen, Paul Brennan, Ernest March, Velma Archibald, Donald M. Allen, Aberjona-Birds Eye Div., and Mrs. Rocco Depasquale.

The Little League Membership Committee wishes to thank publicly the Wilmington Firemen's Association and the Wm. F. Tattersall Chapter 106 Disabled American veterans for the very fine generous donation in response to their appeal letter for funds.

Wilmington Little League Membership Committee Edward Curtis, Secretary-Chairman

## LITTLE LEAGUE SCHEDULE

(Opening Day, 2 games - 1st game to start at 1:30)

(Sunday May 31, Tigers vs Yanks Red Sox vs Indians.

June 3 Yanks vs Red Sox.

" 4 Indians vs Tigers

" 8 Red Sox vs Tigers

" 9 Yanks vs Indians

" 10 Indians vs Red Sox

" 11 Tigers vs Yanks

" 15 Indians vs Tigers

" 16 Red Sox vs Yanks

" 17 Tigers vs Red Sox

" 18 Yanks vs Indians

" 22 Indians vs Red Sox

" 23 Yanks vs Tigers

" 24 Red Sox vs Yanks

" 25 Tigers vs Indians

" 19 Red Sox vs Tigers

" 30 Yanks vs Indians

July 1 Indians vs Red Sox

" 2 Tigers vs Yanks

" 6 Indians vs Tigers

" 7 Red Sox vs Yanks

" 8 Yanks vs Indians

" 9 Red Sox vs Tigers

" 13 Red Sox vs Indians

" 14 Tigers vs Yanks

" 15 Indians vs Tigers

" 16 Yanks vs Red Sox

" 20 Red Sox vs Tigers

" 21 Yanks vs Indians

" 22 Indians vs Red Sox

" 23 Tigers vs Yanks

" 27 Tigers vs Indians

" 28 Yanks vs Red Sox

" 29 Red Sox vs Tigers

" 30 Indians vs Yanks

## MAMOTH PROGRAM PLANNED FOR ARMED FORCES DAY AT FORT DEVENS

The mamot program planned at Fort Devens for Armed Forces Day - May 16th - will be featured by a continuous band concert, a fly-over at 2 p.m.; a Signal Corps set-up whereby messages can be sent through the Post's MARS to troops overseas; guided tours to the Hospital and Reception Center; a Midway with displays from 20 units of the Post; including heavy Engineer equipment, Quartermaster exhibit, Post Surgeon's display; Post Ordnance collection of small arms and automotive equipment; Third Quartermaster Group Company exhibit; Post Dental Surgeon's display; Chemical School display; an EOD exhibit including a "mock" guided missile; Food Service's field kitchen display; Signal Corps combined exhibits; a display by the Provost Marshal's office, including both Investigative and exhibits by the Chaplain's section. A 17-event Track Meet will be held on the Athletic Field, starting at 1 p.m.

Featured for the day will be a visit to the fort, at the invitation of the Post's Commanding General, of Ernest Glenwood Seeley, the first man to be inducted at Camp Deens on 5 September 1917, Mr. Seeley a resident of Robbinston, Maine, will spend the day at the Post, and be given an opportunity to see the new Army, 35 years after he arrived at the fledgling post as its first arrival.

The day's observance will close with a 2000-man retreat parade to be held on Rogers Field at 5 p.m., which will be reviewed by Army dignitaries.

## THE SIDEWALK ON MAIN STREET

At the last Selectman's meeting, April 20th, Selectman Black expressed his desire to see the sidewalks of the town rehabilitated. TM Cushing reported this week that part of the sidewalk on Main Street, near the New England Gas Products Company plant, was being

used by a contractor for that Company, while installing a water main, and that he, Cushing, was in receipt of a letter from the president of the gas company stating that his company "shall be only too glad to make any repairs, if necessary to put the sidewalk in the same condition as we found it".



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To the owners of the herein-after described parcels of land situated in Wilmington, County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to all others concerned. You are here-

by notified, that on Thursday, the 28th of May 1953 at 10 o'clock A.M., D.S.T. pursuant to the provisions of General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 60, Sec. 53, as amended, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Town Collector, it is my intention to take for the Town of Wilmington, the following parcels of land for non payment, after demand of the taxes thereon, with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, or any unpaid balance thereof, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

All book, page, and plan references in the following land de-

scriptions are as found in the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds.

BECKLER, CARRIE M. Parcel No. 1. Abt. 7350 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 3, 4, and 40 in Blk. 33 Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c. Pl. 134. 1952 tax \$8.40.

Parcel No. 2. Abt. 4900 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 38 and 39 in Blk. 34 Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c. Pl. 134. 1952 tax \$8.40.

BLAKE, RAYMOND. H. and JAMES S. ALLEN. TRUSTEES. Abt. 2500 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 491 in Oakland Park Pl. D, Pl. Bk. 24 pl. 24, and more particularly described in Bk. 550 p. 104. 1952 tax \$2.80.

BLOOD, LUCY T. Abt. 2400 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 35 in Blk. 3, Sec. C, Plan Bk. 4c. pl. 135. 1952 tax \$8.40.

BRACKETT, HARRY B. Abt. 1600 sq. ft. of land, being that part of Lot 9 in Blk. 32, Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c. pl. 134 lying in Wilmington, 1952 tax \$5.60.

CRAWFORD, GEORGE A. Abt. 4800 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 6 and 7 in Blk. 19 Sec. C, Plan Bk. 4c. Pl. 135. 1952 tax \$8.40.

CROUSE, JAMES E. Abt. 4500 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 211 and 212 as shown on the Milligan Plan, recorded Pl. Bk. 53 pl. 12, and more particularly described in Bk. 1155 p. 382. 1952 tax \$8.40.

DONOGHUE, JEREMIAH J. Abt. 24,500 sq. ft. of land on the southerly side of Eames Street and more particularly described in Bk. 278 p. 322. 1952 tax \$16.80.

EGGLESTON, EDITH. Abt. 4800 sq. ft. of land, being that part of Lots 36 and 37 in Blk. 34 Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c, pl. 134, lying in Wilmington. 1952 tax \$8.40.

CLARK, WILBUR R. and CHRISTINE. Abt. 35,820 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 115 as shown on the Wilmington Estates Plan and more particularly described in Bk. 1109 p. 15. 1952 tax \$16.80.

ELLIOTT, THELMA D. and LEONARD J. Abt. 20,000 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 80 on the Wilmington Estates Plan, recorded Plan Book 61 pl. 76, and more particularly described in Bk. 1046 p. 270. 1952 tax \$11.20.

ELLIS, JACOB M. Abt. 3000 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 13 and that part of Lot 14 lying in Wilmington in Blk. 29 Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c. pl. 134. 1952 tax \$8.40.

FLEMING, ELEANOR F. Parcel No. 1. Abt. 6300 sq. ft. of land being Lots 5 and 39 in Blk. 33 Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c. plan 134. 1952 tax \$2.80.

Parcel No. 2 Being Lots 6 and 38 in Blk. 33 Sec. B, on said plan abt. 4900 sq. ft. 1952 tax \$2.80.

GLIDDEN, EDDY M. Abt. 2400 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 40 in Blk. 4 Sec. C, Pl. Bk. 4c. pl. 135. 1952 tax \$8.40.

HALL, JOHN B. JR. Abt. 6650 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 2, 3, 24 and 25 as shown on Woburn Park Plan A and more particularly described in Bk. 574 p. 549. 1952 tax \$5.60.

HOLDEN, C. B. Abt. 2450 sq. ft. of land, being that part of Lots 34 and 35 in Blk. 31 Sec. B, Pl. Bk. 4c. Pl. 134 lying in Wilmington. 1952 tax \$8.40.

HOLROYD, JOHN. Abt. 4900 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 40 and 41 in Blk. 31 Sec. B, Plan Bk. 4c. 134. 1952 tax \$8.40.

HUNT, JESSIE M. (widow of

Wm. H. Hunt). Abt. 816 sq. ft. of land being that part of Lot 11 in Blk. 31 Sec. B. Pl. Bk. 4c. Pl. 134 lying in Wilmington. 1952 tax \$5.60.

HUTCHINS, CHARLES S. Abt. 10,000 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 835 to 838 inc. as shown on the Silver Lake Pines Addition Plan and more particularly described in Land Court Certificate of Title No. 2029. 1952 tax \$11.20.

KEEFE, DANIEL L. Abt. 9800 sq. ft. of land being Lots 36 to 39 inc. in Blk. 31 Sec. B, Pl. Bk. 4c. pl. 134. 1952 tax \$16.80.

KELLEY, DAVID J. TRUSTEE u/w of DAVID L. FINN. Abt. 12,400 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 246 on the Wilmington Gardens Plan, and more particularly described in Bk. 469 p. 292. 1952 tax \$7.00.

MARKEY, ARTHUR. Abt. 9600 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 41 to 44 inc. in Blk. 4 Sec. C, Pl. Bk. 4c. Pl. 135. 1952 tax \$14.00.

McAVOY, GEORGE T. and MARY B. Abt. 4020 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 130 - 131 as shown on the Pinegrove Park Plan and more particularly described in Bk. 1068 p. 268. 1952 tax \$5.60.

MARTINAGE, HERBERT F. Abt. 2937 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 1033 as shown on the Silver Lake Pines Addition Plan and more particularly described in Land Court Ctf. of Title #2100. 1952 tax \$2.80.

MONTEIRO, EDWARD H. Abt. 25,000 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 1 and 2 Blk. C as shown on Wilmington Acres Plan Book 70-58, and more particularly described in Bk. 1185 page 104. 1952 tax \$22.40.

MURPHY, MARY J. E. Abt. 4900 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 7 and 8 in Blk. 31 Sec. B. Plan Bk. 4c pl. 134. 1952 tax \$8.40.

NICKERSON, ROBERT A. and LAURA T. Abt. 20,700 sq. ft. of land being Lot 2 in Blk. D as shown on the Wilmington Acres Plan Bk. 70 - 58, and more particularly described in Bk. 1108 p. 399. 1952 tax \$14.00.

NISSEN, ELLA LOUISE. Abt. 2400 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 15 in Blk. 18 Sec. C, Plan Book 4c. pl. 135. 1952 tax \$8.40.

PIZZURRO, SALVATORE. Abt. 13,500 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 1 to 5 inc. in Blk. H as shown on the Blanchard Plan (Pl. Bk. 60 pl. 43) and more particularly described in Bk. 1183 p. 301. 1952 tax \$14.00.

RAISON, NORMAN J. Abt. 29,925 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 242 to 247 inc. as shown on the Wilmington Manor Plan, and being a part of the premises described in Bk. 474 p. 497. 1952 tax \$14.00.

RICH, EDWARD M. Abt. 2400 sq. ft. of land, being a triangular parcel of land adjoining the northern boundary of Lot 19 in Blk. 17 Sec. C, Plan Bk. 4c. p. 135, and being also a part of the premises described in Bk. 208 p. 2. 1952 tax \$8.40.

TARDO, FRANK A. and LILLIAN. Abt. 52,000 sq. ft. of land, being Lot 13 in Blk. C as shown on the Wilmington Acres Plan and more particularly described as one of the Lots in Bk. 1064 p. 547. 1952 tax \$11.20.

VASSELIAN, ALEXANDER and JOHN. Abt. 10,000 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 58 - 59 - 79 and 80 as shown on the Pinegrove Park Plan and more particularly described in Bk. 1169 p. 400. 1952 tax \$11.20.

WALSH, WALTER. Abt. 3304 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 10 and 11 as shown on the Fairview Park Plan Bk. 31 p. 62 and more particularly described in Book 529 p. 490. 1952 tax \$4.20.

YIANACOPULOS, JOHN. Abt. 4900 sq. ft. of land, being Lots 7 and 8 in Blk. 25 Sec. D as shown on Plan Bk. 6 pl. 17, and more particularly described in Bk. 471 page 150. 1952 tax \$2.80.

Plans referred to against above parcels are on file or recorded: Office of Board of Assessors, Town Hall, Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, Mass., Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Lowell, Mass.

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The Annual Music Festival of the Wilmington Schools is to take place on Wilmington Common, on May 18th. Every child in the Wilmington grade schools will participate, and in addition, the High School Band will also take part.

Planned to start at 1:00 p.m., the program will be over in time for the busses, so that the transportation problem of the children need not be complicated.

1. Junior High School Band and all the children of the seventh grades "America the Beautiful."

2. Piano Solo, "Parade of the Soldiers," Betty Flight.

3. Accordion Duet by Cecelia McLaughlin and Carol Pustola, "Doggy in the Window."

4. High School Band, "Military Escort" and "The Oracle."

5. Flutophone and Harmony Bands of grades 2, 3 and 4, all schools, "Our Director," "Starlight Waltz," and "Marines Hymn." Walker School children will have dance "Ach, Ja." All children in grades 4, not in the flutophone band will sing "Brothers Row" and will join in on the "Marines Hymn."

6. Rythm Band, all grade 1 children. Souza's "Jack Tar March" and "Invincible" and "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers." Children will participate from all schools having rythm bands.

7. Grade 1, other than in rythm band - Dance - "Jump Jim Crow," "Pop Goes the Weasel," "Point Your Toe," "I'm a Duck," "Three Little Kittens," "I'm A Funny Clown."

8. Grades 5, "The South Wind and the Rose," and "The Ash Grove."

9. Grades 6. Songs, "Palamita" and a medley of "I've Been Working on the Railroad," "Roll Along," "Hear Them Bells" and "Good Night Ladies."

10. Junior High School Band—"Marines Hymn" and "Scouts on Parade."

Distinguishing colored capes will be worn by the children of the elementary grades. The West School will wear Green, the Maple Meadow Orchid, the Walker Red, the Center Yellow, the Whitefield Blue and the Mildred Rogers Pink. All the above will also wear silver crowns, with one star for children of the first grade, and two stars for children of grade 2, 3 and 4.

Miss Plevock, music director, expresses her gratitude to the teachers and parents who have assisted in the preparation of the costumes.

Dominic De Grazia, expected to be present to assist, is a patient in a hospital. Miss Plevock will direct the entire festival.

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## PERCUSSION

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APPOINTMENTS TO THE  
BOARD OF APPEALS

The Selectmen, Monday night, made several appointments to the Board of Appeals.

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Road, North Wilmington, the present chairman was re-appointed, on motion of Kenneth Lyons, for a three year term starting March 31, 1953. William Traer and Winston Churchill were each appointed as Associate Members, for a one year period, starting March 31st. Also on motion of Kenneth Lyons. The two other members of the present board are Howard Woolaver, and Carl Heldmen, both past chairmen. A sixth member (associate) under the present by-laws, was not appointed, and discussion was laid on the table until the next meeting on May 25th.

## A Long Talk About Inspectors

Dean Cushing, Monday night, told the Board of Selectmen that under the present by-laws, vacancies exist for a plumbing inspector, and for a wire inspector.

Mrs. Drew interrupted Cushing to ask, "How can we get a man for the jobs, with the excuse me—lousy sum of money we have for the purpose?"

Joe Woods spoke up several times. He doubted if a man could be got who would do all the jobs. He was not satisfied with the present state of affairs, and thought there were a lot of buildings that had been built without being inspected, and even some that had been inspected were not very good, with poor workmanship. Mrs. Drew told Woods that the building inspector couldn't say anything if a man chose to build a wavy roof, for instance, as long as the laws were complied with, and Charles Black thought that it was not up to the building in-

spector to spot an "illegal" building. He said that a permit is to be shown, for every building, and that it was up to the police to see whether or not the permit was shown.

Selectman Lawler thought that the best course was to appoint a good master builder, as building inspector, and let him look over the plumbing and wiring, and the Town Manager agreed that, as of this time, the town cannot afford separate inspectors.

Kenneth Lyons defended the present building inspector, saying that he thought he was a good man, who was doing a lot of work for the money that he was getting. He went on to say, "I would like to see Mr. Cushing make a decision on this matter, as it is unfair to Mr. Rice to keep him waiting on the hook."

## Discussion on Rest Homes

Dean Cushing, Town Manager, reported Monday night, that on a re-investigation of the rest homes of Wilmington, it was indicated that there might be a possible need for a fire escape on one building, but no immediate need for night superintendents, since this latter situation is covered by the State Dept. of Public Health Rules and Regulations.

The particular place where a fire escape might be needed al-

ready had three flights of stairs, all inside the building. Cushing told the Selectmen.

He stated that further investigation would be made, and further reports given to the Selectmen.

## Special Officers to be Appointed

Special police officers will be appointed soon, according to TM Cushing. These men will be part of the Civil Defence Auxiliary Force at the same time and are expected to spend some time in

training at no cost to the town, which is the usual civil defense procedure.

Mrs. Drew wanted to know when the regular patrolmen would be appointed, and Cushing reported that he still had to make an arrangement about lunch hours, before the appointment could be made.

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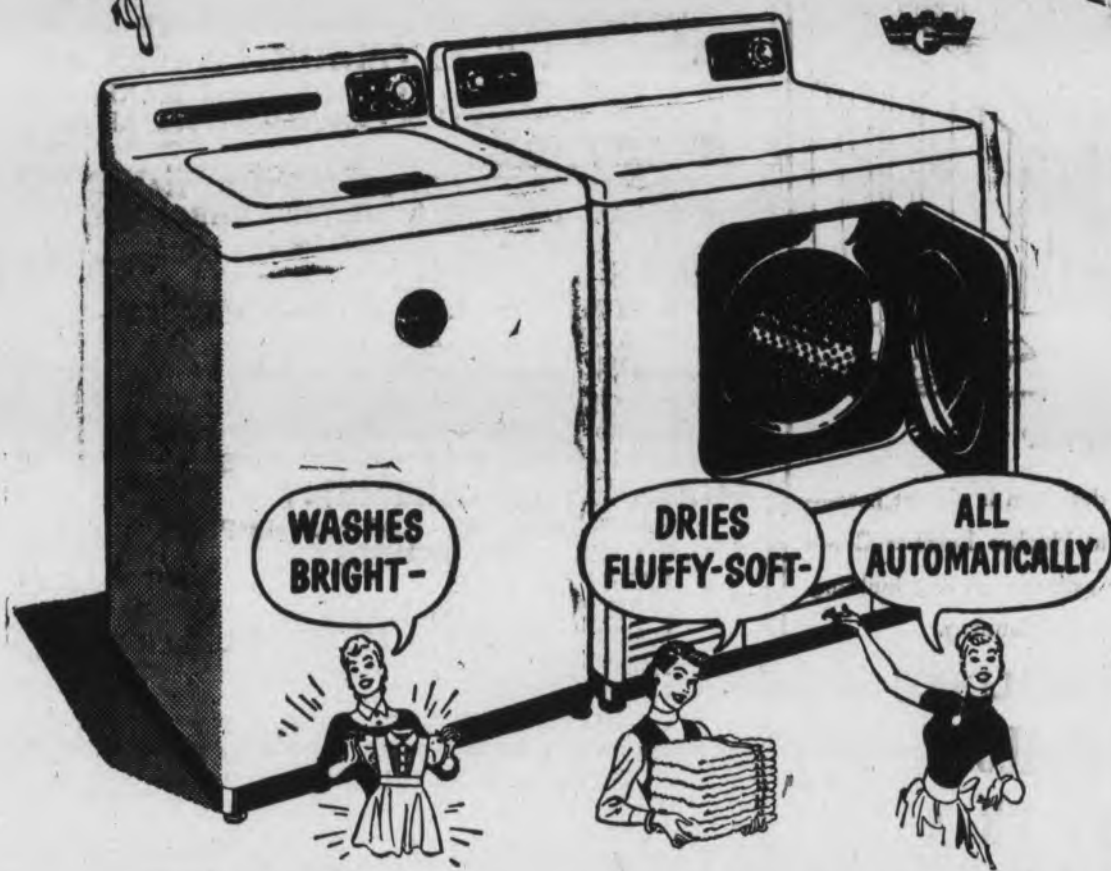
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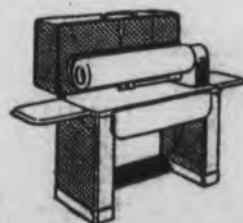
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Mrs. Isabel A. Burns, of 215 Sladen Street, Dracut, has been elected to membership in the Alpha Gamma Chapter of the Pi Lambda Phieta, the national honor society for women in education, at Boston University. Mrs. Burns is a graduate of the Dracut elementary schools, Lowell High School, Lowell State Teachers College, and is furthering her education at Boston University. She is at present on the faculty of the Buzzell School, teaching Grade 6.

She is a member of the Teacher's College Alumni, the Wilmington Teachers Association, the Massachusetts Special Class Teachers, and the International Council of Exceptional Teachers.

## STREET SIGNS AND PUBLIC COOPERATION

Dean Cushing, Town Manager told the Board of Selectmen that all the street signs that had been asked were now straightened out. He added that citizens of the town should report anything that might be wrong to the department head concerned, and that in this way they would be co-operating with the town. If there was no action, then they could take it up with the Town Manager, he stated.

## BOARD OF APPEALS TURNED DOWN DI PIANO

The Board of Appeals has voted unanimously that the request of Gabriel Di Piano of Cunningham Street, North Wilmington, be denied. Di Piano had appeared before the board, on April 21st, to request permission to open a sewing shop on his premises.

## SELECTMEN VOTE SALARY FOR MRS. SHELDON

Mrs. Olive Sheldon, clerk to the Selectmen, was voted a salary of \$300 a year for her services, by the Selectmen, Monday night. The motion was voted on motion of Mrs. Wavie Drew.

## NO "PILLS" CURE CANCER

The American Cancer Society urges patients to seek competent medical help in treating cancer. It points out that no cancer ever cured itself and none was ever cured by pills, powders, or any other "home remedy" or "secret method, medicine or gadget."

## NEE-ELLSWORTH POPPY DRIVE MAY 22-23

The Nee-Ellsworth Post of the VFW is planning a Poppy Drive on May 22nd and 23rd.

## THE RITZ TO RE-OPEN

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### NO ACTION ON TOWN ACCOUNTANT

The Board of Selectmen, due to appoint a full time Town Accountant under the vote of the town at Town Meeting, has not yet taken any action. The question was discussed at length, Monday night, by the Selectmen, with no definite results, and it was finally put on the table for a later meeting.

### TM REJECTS BIDS ON TRUCKS

The Town Manager has rejected all bids, previously called for, for new trucks to be purchased by the town. The rejections were because of a technicality, for which the TM freely admitted that he was at fault, in talking with the Selectmen about it.

### BOY SCOUTS MOTHER'S DAY DANCE A SUCCESS

The Boy Scouts announce that \$50 was made, as a result of the Mother's Day Dance, Saturday evening. The dance was very successful, and the Boy Scouts extend their thanks to every one who assisted, either by buying a ticket, or by a donation, and to the Wilmington School Committee, for the use of the High School cafeteria.

Because of the flooding of the Junior High School gymnasium, the Boy Scouts have been meeting for the last two weeks in St. Thomas Social hall, and they also extend their thanks to Father Regan for this.

A staff meeting of the Boy Scout leaders is to be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Rosa, on Kendall Street. A meeting of the Troop Committee will be held at the same place Thursday evening.

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any plant, but no explosives," Osberg stated.

It is thought that the explosions that Mrs. Thomas described could have come from overheated drums, a number of which were in the building.

Father O'Gorham, beloved priest of the Montvale Church, in Woburn, and Woburn's No. 1 "spark" was at the scene of the fire, with the Woburn department. His car became stuck in the sand, and was later pulled out by a Woburn fire truck.

The fire itself was under control within a few minutes of the arrival of the fire departments, although the men continued to pour water into the building for some time, in order to extinguish every last spark.

Officer Fuller of the Wilmington Police Department stopped all traffic from entering Eames Street, from the Main Street entrance. Many of the motorists drove to the entrance of the J. W. Greer Company, and thru their yard, to the Eames Street exit, thus circumventing Fullers work, and after a while he gave up in disgust. However, no cars were parked in the way of the fire department.

A new firm, about a year old, National Polychemicals was just getting into production (plastics) when the fire occurred. They were looking forward to the beginning of operations, and the blow has been felt not only by the company, but by many townspeople, who have sent expressions of sympathy to the company.

Plant officials have not yet touched anything, connected with the fire, pending the study

by the state fire marshal, and others, but have stated that as soon as possible the plant will again be in operation.

### WILMINGTON POLICE TO SPONSOR EXPLORER SCOUTS

Members of the Wilmington Police Department have taken over the sponsorship of the Explorer Unit, of the Wilmington Boy Scouts. Chairman of the committee will be Tim Cunningham, while other police officers will also take part, including Police Chief Lynch. The announcement was made to the unit, at their last meeting, in the Junior High School Gym.

Explorer Unit 58 has expressed their thanks to the Wilmington Fire Department, for the loan of ropes used by the unit in the Greater Lowell Scout Circus.

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Residents of the neighborhood told of hearing explosions. Mrs. Louise Thomas of Morse Avenue said that she heard one explosion, followed by six others, and looked up to see flames shooting in the air. She said that she could also hear the breaking of glass. Her home is over 1000 feet from the scene of the fire.

Edward Osberg, general manager of the Polychemicals Company, stated that there were no explosives in the building. "Inflammable materials, yes, there are inflammable materials in

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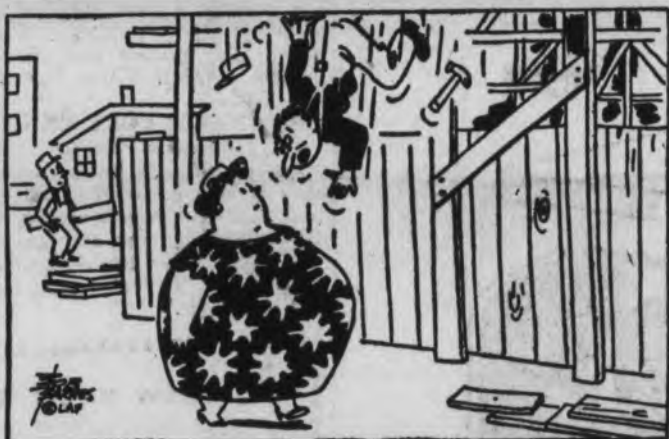
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